



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Specification and Advertisement for Bids for Two One-Ton Cab and Chassis for Electric Utility Department

MEETING DATE: October 2, 1996

SUBMITTED BY: Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve the specifications for two one-ton cab and chassis and authorize advertising for bids to be received October 23, 1996.

BACKGROUND: Funds to purchase two one-ton trucks with utility bodies for the Electric Utility Department (EUD) were approved and budgeted in the 1995-97 Electric Utility budget. The new units will replace Service Trucks 09-077, a fully depreciated 1975 Chevrolet one-ton truck with an odometer reading of 90,990 miles; and truck 09-072 a 1980 Ford one-ton truck with an odometer reading of 79,359 miles. The EUD uses these vehicles on a daily basis. In addition EUD personnel utilize them to respond to system problems and customer calls after hours, on weekends, and on holidays. Service truck 09-077 was purchased on November 13, 1975 for \$4,945.00 and has accumulated repair costs of \$5,012.87. Service truck 09-072 was purchased on January 4, 1980 for \$7,961.00 and has accumulated repair costs of \$4,805.64.

Proceeding at this time will allow these vehicles to be placed in service prior to the normally expected storm season. During the 1995-1996 storm season, EUD staff found it necessary to utilize personal vehicles for service restoration purposes and it is believed that this recommended action will reduce this practice in the future.

Quotes for utility bodies will be received after the purchasing of the two cab and chassis has been awarded by the City Council. The budgeted amount below includes the cost of both truck and utility bodies.

Authorization is also requested to:

1. Dispose of truck 09-077 by auctioneers or sealed bid auction. It is not expected that this vehicle can be refurbished for lighter duty use at a reasonable cost.
2. Either dispose of truck 09-072 by auctioneers or sealed bid auction or reassign this vehicle to lighter duty use or for use during storm restoration purposes when additional vehicles are required.

FUNDING:

Originally Budgeted	1995-97
Budgeted Fund	16.1 - 680
Budgeted Amount	\$ 70,000
Bid Opening Date:	October 23, 1996

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APPROVED

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September 25, 1996